

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action of January 14, 2008.
Reexamination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

The Office Action

Several informalities have been noted by the Examiner.

Claims 21–39 stand objected to under 37 CFR §1.75(a).

Claims 21–39 stand rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1–19 of US Patent No. 6,696,958.

Informalities

The Title, Abstract, and Specification have been amended to overcome the informalities pointed out by the Examiner.

37 CFR §1.75(a)

Claim 21 has been amended to overcome the objection under 37 CFR §1.75(a).
Therefore, all claims now meet the requirements of 37 CFR §1.75(a).

Nonstatutory Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

A Terminal Disclaimer is being filed herewith to overcome the rejection on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, it is submitted that the claims of the present application are in condition for allowance. Early notice thereof is respectfully requested.

Should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all such fees, and/or credit any overpayments, incurred as a result of entering this amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-0172, Order No. 21220.04183.

Respectfully submitted,

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